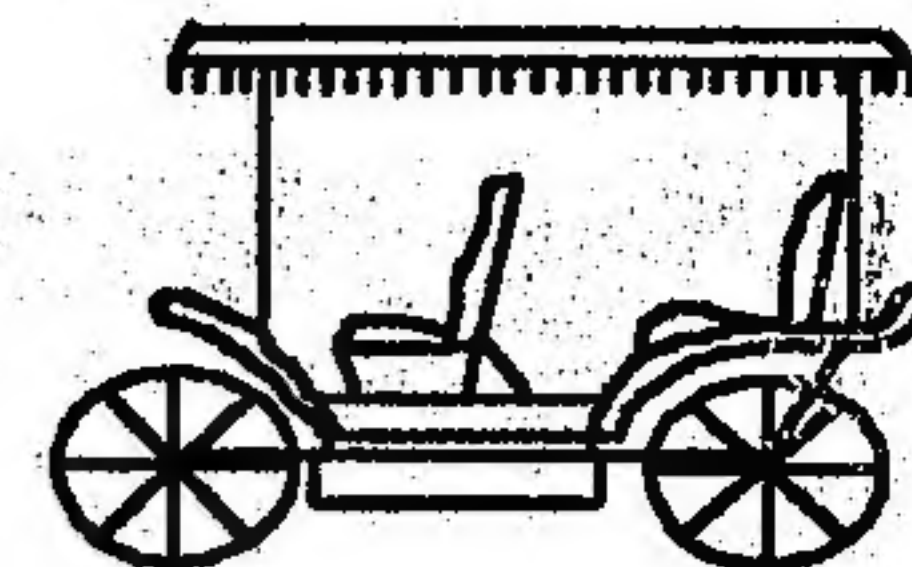
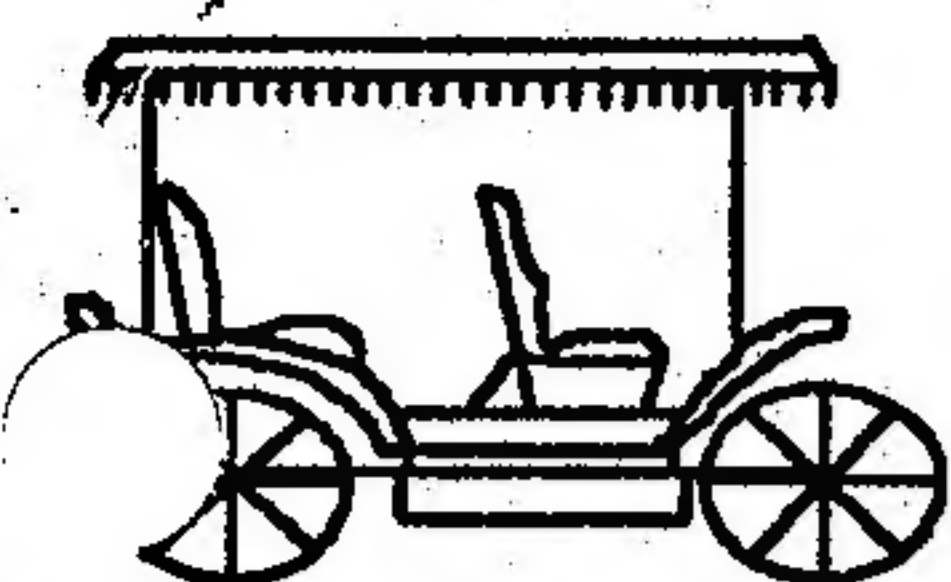


THE S.A.R.C.

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**CLUB NETS**

EACH TUESDAY 20:00Hrs. local time 147.34/147.94Mhz.  
 EACH SUNDAY 20:00Hrs. local time 28,675 Mhz.

**MEETING**

The next General Meeting of the Surrey Amateur Radio Club will take place on **WEDNESDAY SEPT 11th, 1991** at **NEWTON JUNIOR SEC. SCHOOL 132nd, St. and 64th, Ave Surrey.** At 1930 hrs Local time.

Please try to attend, Bring a friend, Potential Ham or Guest

As the 90/91 year ends we would like to thank the outgoing executive for the job they did. Unless one has been a member of the executive it is difficult to grasp the amount of work and the time involved in providing something interesting at each meeting for all members and all interests. I am sure that all recognize the effort put forward. Again, thanks!

**HYACK FESTIVAL PARADE MAY 25TH 1991**

Amateurs from the Surrey and Burnaby Clubs provided communications for the Hyack Parade on Saturday. The day started under very cool, wet and windy conditions with a pancake breakfast and a gathering and briefing of the operators.

The Burnaby repeater was used as primary channel with 145.71 Mhz. Simplex as back up. Barb took over the position of net controller, with the other seventeen operators stationed at various locations along the route and with Police and other vehicles.

Everything seemed to go as planned with a few minor glitches. Generally a good time was had by all. We would like to express our appreciation to the Burnaby Club for the use of their repeater and to the following hams.

Ken VE7EZV For his usual fine organizing

Barb VE7CZM For her very efficient control

and to the following hams for their very able assistance

Lyle VE7AZH, Harold VE7BXT, Lou VE7CGE, Hu VE7CHW, Dan VE7CXG, Dennis VE7DK, Jack VE7EY, Bob VE7EYF, Ivar VE7EYU, Bill VE7FKB, Bob VE7FWZ, Barry VE7HYM, Roland VE7IDM, Fred VE7IO, Ralph VE7OM and Gordon VE7SGS.



## **MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING**

A Special meeting was called to discuss the S.A.R.C. Repeater. The meeting was held at the Whalley Public Library Aug 7/1991.

A total of 24 Members and Non Members were present when VE7DK called the meeting to order at 1900 hrs.

The topic for the meeting was to discuss a suggestion that the S.A.R.C. relenquish the frequency pair 147.94/147.34 Mhz. to the S.S.R.G.

In the discussion that followed, Dusty VE7YB suggested that the frequencies be borrowed as a temporary move until such time that other freqs. may become available.

It was suggested by Bill VE7CXZ that an outright transfer of the freqs. be made to avoid any possible conflict that may arise in the future.

In answer to a question re the siting of the new repeater Dennis VE7DK noted that :

1. In accordance with the terms of the Federal Grant which is financing the equipment purchase, the equipment must be located on Federal, Provincial, Municipal or similar type of public amenity,

2. The new unit would require that phone lines be installed, which was not possible at the existing location.

After some further questions and answers, Harry VE7HNC. Moved that: The Frequency pair 147.94/147.34 Mhz. Presently used and issued to the SURREY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB be transferred to the S.S.R. Group with the express understanding that the S.A.R.C. Members do not in any way lose any access or use of the repeater. The motion was read to the group and was seconded by Graham VE7BTZ.

During the discussion on the motion Cliff VE7FVO noted that there would be still need for the S.A.R.C. repeater later on. Dennis VE7DK stated that application for a freq. pair would be maintained so that when a pair became available further discussions could take place re assignment of the new pair.

There being no further discussion the motion was put to a vote. The result of the vote;

In favour of the motion. Sixteen (16). Against the motion. Three (3). Abstentions. Two (2). The motion carried.

One of the visitors Mike VE7AVM addressed the meeting giving his view of the problems we would encounter by using the proposed location for the equipment and of our use of the frequency pair which he stated is a Degraded frequency and is and always has been subject to interference from other sources notably CHRX AM on 600 Khz. He produced a map which showed the local area and the type of reception that was recorded in various locations.

Mike was thanked for his interest in the Club affairs and following a motion by Cliff VE7FVO the meeting was adjourned at 2040 hrs:

## **FIELD DAY 1991**

Once again the Field Day group made the annual pilgrimage to Matsqui to participate in the ARRL Field Day. We operated Class 3A on 20 CW &SSB, 40 CW&SSB, 15 CW and 75 SSB. with a Packet and Novice Station.

We fared a little better this year than last but suffered from the same problems as before "SHORTAGE OF OPERATORS"

People who attended were VE7s, BFX, BJ, BTZ, BXT, CJR, CNW, CON, DK, EWF, EYF, EYU, EZD, EZV, FVB, IBA, IDI, IDM, JGR, KAT, YB, and Kirk Thomas who was in charge of KAT. Special thanks to the ones who looked after the "Ins and Outs" of the weekend. Scott KAT Chef. and Ivar EYU Sanitary Eng.

THANKS TO ALL WHO HELPED.



Harold VE7BXT and his wife Beryl had friends from South of the border visit with them recently. Bette WI2U, and her husband Frank. Harold has been having regular skeds with Bette for some years. Both Bette's sons have calls. Mike NZ2C and Frank. E. NR2A.

Computeritis?? Apparently Ken VE7EZV has also obtained a new Computer a 386 DX which he bought from the same place as 7DK. at, I might add, a very good price and with good service. Compuage on Kingsway.

CY7PNE Was the call that was to be used at this years P.N.E. But the station had to be cancelled due to lack of interest on the part of members and local hams. At the time of cancellation only 8 hams had given actual commitments as to when they would man the display although 24 had said they would help. NEXT YEAR???

At the General Meeting Sept. 11th. the club will be looking for members to help in various ways. We require Members for different committees. Publicity. Health and Welfare. Special Events. Social Events. Flea Market. Program Co ordinator. Please help by offering your services, you don't have to have a degree or particular expertise to help just a desire to help the Club.

While on the subject of helping! The Club has a number of new hams and some not so new hams who maybe need help in some form. We would like to have a list of members who are willing to help out by becoming Elmers I Mentors! or ?? and offering assistance in setting up stations, showing operating procedures, and etc. Please offer your services. The names and phone numbers will be published so that those needing help can obtain it. Thanks:

What have you done recently?? Whatever it was is likely of interest to the membership. Why not contact us and tell the story, if its not too offensive or obscene we will print it.

The Publication needs input from all sources to continue. Any suggestions re the Communicator pro or con will be welcome, we want to express YOUR views.

USE YOUR REPEATER . JOIN IN ON THE ETS. Tuesdays and Sundays.

## TRAINING COURSES

After more than 12 years of teaching would be hams the theory and Regulations MAX VE7DZ is stepping down to take a break and to attend the club meetings Hi.

He is an excellent instructor and is responsible for helping many of us. Our warmest thanks Max.

To fill the large gap left by Max in the field of instruction Gary VE7FZZ has offered to take over the chore of teaching theory and regulations to budding hams. Gary has a broad background in teaching and in radio and electronic theory and will I know, be responsible for many new calls in the future.

Gary will be starting his course in Sept. any member knowing of prospective hams should have them attend the first meeting.

Do you work, or intend, or hope to work any DX or expect to receive any QSL Cards. Then, have I got a deal for you!! For those people who are not aware of it The CRRL operates INCOMING and OUTGOING QSL Bureaux. The incoming bureau is located here in the area, and receives cards from other bureaux and individual Hams for forwarding to the B.C. Hams.

Howww-ever, to receive your cards you must have money or envelopes in the local Bureau. When the cards are received in the Bureau, average approx. 25Kg. per month they are sorted and sent out to those hams with money or envelopes in the Bureau. As an alternative our Club along with many other clubs arrange to distribute the cards at the meetings.

If you wish to receive your cards at meetings then let the exec. know.

If you have money or envelopes in the bureau then that method will take precedence over Club delivery.

There is no charge for the service and you do not have to be a member of CRRL or CARF to use the Bureau.

If you need any more info talk to Dennis VE7DK.

What are your interests in Ham Radio. DX. Contests. Certificate hunting. SSTV. ATV. HF .VHF. UHF. Packet. RTTY . Ragchewing. or WHAT.

We would like to know.



## A Different Site?

As mentioned in the Field Day report, we held our operation at the usual site in Matsqui. Some members have mentioned that perhaps we should consider a different site for next years event.

Reasons for the change of venue have been: Distance from where most of the operators live. Difficulty in finding the site for some of the newcomers. We should have a place more accessable to the general public in order to advertise Amateur Radio and to pick up some extra bonus points: We should try to operate from a Municipal or Provincial Park. Any Comments for or against? Think about it and make your feelings known.

## A CW NET ??

Are there any members out in radio land who would be interested in a CW net on HF. The suggested freq. would be around 3696Khz. With a suggested time of 20:00 or 21:00 hrs local.

If any members are interested contact Vic.7CON. 584-0142.

## FOR SALE or WANTED

Any members with items for sale or trade or ???. Please advise one of the executive and we will fit it in the Communicator.

Our rates are very reasonable \$00.00 for the first line and half that amount for any other lines!

## **DUES are DUE**

Please try to see the Treas. and give him \$20:00 it will be greatly appreciated by he and his family !!

Max. VE7DZ. Just returned from a trip to the North Country where he was visiting family members. Good to have you back. I know that we will see you at the meetings more often.

I heard that Humphrey VE7HIK has become expert guide on the City and its environs. Due in some small measure to the many visitors he entertained this year. I'm sure that Humphrey is probably intending to use his new found knowledge to open up a tour service.

Somebody mentioned that Dennis VE7DK has a new computer, a 386 DX he now has three. Perhaps he thinks that the more you have the more you know! I still think that he would'nt know a DOS from a RAM if he saw one!

Bob VE7EYF is still feeding the trout in the lakes around Tulameen, maybe he is hoping to catch some when they get bigger!

Geri VE7IBA should be working lots of DX now that she has the tower and beam all set up.

John VE7JGR has a very nice set up at his QTH with a 48ft. tower and a 4 el explorer beam.

Henry VE7BVE has once again been banished to the wilds of Port Melon I beleive he has appl for a Visa so that he will be able to enter Surrey occasionally!

Howie has completed his move to a new QTH I don't know whether he has found everything at the new location, but I was over there recently and saw him looking for Grace!

Ivar VE7EYU has a new beam on his tower a Mosley, complete with WARC frequencies. He has already contacted North Langley, so who knows what might be next!

## FOR SALE

MICROLOG Mod.#AKB1 Decoder / RTTY Gen.  
VIDEO MONITOR Mod# 100G. Complete with all cables and manuals... \$200:00  
O.B.O.

REGENCY Scanner Mod. K100. 30 - 512 Mhz.  
Complete with manual. \$120:00 O.B.O.  
Contact Vic. VE7CON 584-0142

HEATH VTVM. Analog. new. \$20:00  
Contact Dennis VE7DK 594-6675



## **PUBLIC SERVICE COMMUNICATIONS REPORT**

The Spring and Summer of 1991 have been busy for the members of the club who are interested in providing communications at public events.

We did the Easter Antique Car Parade and the festival for the New Westminster Hyack Group. (See report elsewhere in this edition)

On July 14th, the annual Vancouver to Harrison 'Bike-a-Thon' was held.

this years edition had nearly 200 cyclists.

The object is fund raising for the Rotary Club Hearing Foundation. Operators involved were: Lyle VE7AZH, Brian VE7BJ, Harold VE7BXT, Kjeld VE7CJR, Vic VE7CON, Dennis VE7DK, Dave VE7DPE, Ken VE7EZV, Bill VE7FKB, Bill VE7FVG, Bob VE7FWZ, Fred VE7IO, and Ralph VE7OM. Special thanks also to George Merchant VE7CHU, and the North Shore group for the use of VE7RNS (147.26) Repeater. It gives excellent coverage all the way out to Deroche. Most of the operators and their families spent the afternoon on Harrison Beach after the end of the ride, and then were treated to an excellent dinner banquet in the Harrison Hotel.

The entire event went smoothly again this year and I know that the organizers appreciate the assistance our

club provides.

The second major event we were involved with was the White Rock Torchlight Parade. It was the first time for our club, although several members had helped Tony VE7XQ with this project in the previous two years. When Tony asked me to take over this parade I was faced with two main tasks. First, there were about 25 operators required, which would certainly be a challenge on the Sunday of the B.C. Day long weekend. Also how would we set up communications in the area with almost no repeater coverage and some large hills along the parade route. Fortunately, the members of our club came out in force to solve both these problems. Club member Art Chambers, VE7ICI and his wife were very co operative when they made their residence overlooking Marine Drive available as a control station. A few tests from this site and some antenna changes by Ralph, VE7OM and we were well on our way.

Operators involved were: Laurence VE7ADC, Jim VE7BCJ, Harold VE7BXT, Hu VE7CHW, Vic VE7CON, Bill VE7CXZ, Dennis VE7DK, Karl VE7EWF, Dave VE7EWI, George VE7EXC, Ivar VE7EYU, Steve VE7EZD, Ken VE7EZV, Jack VE7FJP, Bill VE7FKB, Bob VE7FWZ, George VE7GSE, Doris VE7HDE, Matt VE7IDI, Hardy VE7IDY, John VE7JGR, Vic VE7LAW, and

Ralph VE7OM.

In the words of the organizing committee

"Thanks for a truly superb job". Special thanks to Vic. VE7CON for providing his motor home as a check-in vehicle.

As Public Service Communications Coordinator for our club, I ask the members to consider helping with these types of communication projects. If you feel that you are able to help, please call me. I would like to see some of the newer members involved. It is good experience and is almost always an enjoyable outing.

A two metre handheld unit is usually required, although in the past we have been able to provide a loan unit if necessary.

If I know you are interested in this type of amateur radio activity I'll be sure to call you the next time we have an event. Please call Ken Clarke, 596-8786 or 596-3924.